

REMARKS

The Claims have been amended to remove the improper multiple dependencies. Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. Claim 2 has been canceled. An Abstract has been added.

Conclusion

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

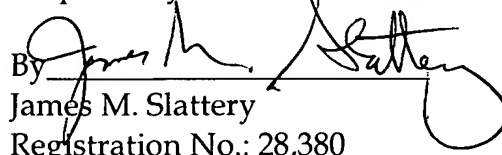
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact James M. Slattery (Reg. No. 28,380) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Attachment: Abstract of the Disclosure

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A lifting cable winding mechanism of a solar radiation shielding device capable of uniformly winding lifting cables for lifting solar radiation shielding materials on the peripheral surfaces of winding drums and minimizing the extra lengths of the lifting cables remaining in a head rail when the solar radiation shielding materials are lowered to a lower limit, wherein a case (2) is fixed in the head rail (1), the winding drums (4) are fitted to a drive shaft (3) axially passed through the inside of the head rail (1) so as to be rotated integrally with each other, slits (6) are provided at the bottom part of the case (2), rings (7) are fitted to the winding drums (4) so as to be rotated integrally with each other and slidably moved in axial direction, guides (11) suspended from the bottom part openings (10) of the head rail (1) are formed at one end parts of the case (2), and the tips of the lifting cables (5) inserted from the slits (6) into the case (2) through the guide (11) are fixed to the rings (7).